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Docket No. 3842-4050

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Applicant(s): MICHON, et al.

Group Art Unit: 1645

Serial No.: 09/853,367

Examiner: DEVI, S.

Filed: May 11, 2001

For: IMMUNOGENIC COMPOSITIONS OF LOW MOLECULAR WEIGHT  
HYALURONIC ACID AND METHODS TO PREVENT, TREAT AND  
DIAGNOSE INFECTIONS AND DISEASES CAUSED BY GROUP A AND  
GROUP C STREPTOCOCCI

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the final office action dated  
June 20, 2003 for the above-identified patent application

In addition, a Petition for a three (3) month Extension of Time pursuant to 37  
C.F.R. §1.136(a) and the required fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17(b) are filed herewith to extend  
the time for response up to and including December 22, 2003.

A Notice of Appeal is enclosed herewith.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this  
paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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